

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9761–S9866

Measures Introduced: Six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2851–2856, and S. Res. 436–440. **Pages S9812–13**

Measures Reported:

S. 437, to provide for adjustments to the Central Arizona Project in Arizona, to authorize the Gila River Indian Community water rights settlement, to reauthorize and amend the Southern Arizona Water Rights Settlement Act of 1982, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–360)

S. 511, to provide permanent funding for the Payment In Lieu of Taxes program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–361)

S. 1614, to designate a portion of White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–362)

S. 1678, to provide for the establishment of the Uintah Research and Curatorial Center for Dinosaur National Monument in the States of Colorado and Utah, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–363)

S. 1852, to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–364)

S. 1876, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands and facilities of the Provo River Project, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–365)

S. 2142, to authorize appropriations for the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route. (S. Rept. No. 108–366)

S. 2181, to adjust the boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 108–367)

S. 2334, to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as

components of the National Wilderness Preservation System. (S. Rept. No. 108–368)

S. 2374, to provide for the conveyance of certain land to the United States and to revise the boundary of Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Oklahoma, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–369)

S. 2408, to adjust the boundaries of the Helena, Lolo, and Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forests in the State of Montana, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–370)

S. 2432, to expand the boundaries of Wilson's Creek Battlefield National Park. (S. Rept. No. 108–371)

S. 2567, to adjust the boundary of Redwood National Park in the State of California. (S. Rept. No. 108–372)

S. 2622, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–373)

H.R. 1113, to authorize an exchange of land at Fort Frederica National Monument. (S. Rept. No. 108–374)

H.R. 1446, to support the efforts of the California Missions Foundation to restore and repair the Spanish colonial and mission-era missions in the State of California and to preserve the artworks and artifacts of these missions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–375)

H.R. 1964, to assist the States of Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania in conserving priority lands and natural resources in the Highlands region, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–376)

H.R. 2010, to protect the voting rights of members of the Armed Services in elections for the Delegate representing American Samoa in the United States House of Representatives. (S. Rept. No. 108–377)

H.R. 3706, to adjust the boundary of the John Muir National Historic Site. (S. Rept. No. 108–378)

H.R. 4516, to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program of research and development to

advance high-end computing, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–379)

S. 1529, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to include provisions relating to the payment and administration of gaming fees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–380)

S. 2603, to amend section 227 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 227) relating to the prohibition on junk fax transmissions. (S. Rept. No. 108–381)

S. 333, to promote elder justice, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9812**

Measures Passed:

North Korean Human Rights Act: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4011, to promote human rights and freedom in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Brownback/Bayh Amendment No. 3728, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9805–06**

Feed America Thursday: Senate agreed to S. Res. 440, designating Thursday, November 18, 2004, as “Feed America Thursday”. **Page S9863**

Recognizing Wisconsin Native Americans: Senate agreed to S. Res. 439, recognizing the contributions of Wisconsin Native Americans to the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian.

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National Domestic Violence Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 438, supporting the goals and ideals of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should raise awareness of domestic violence in the United States and its devastating effects on families. **Pages S9863–64**

Olympic Games Site: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 475, encouraging the International Olympic Committee to select New York City as the site of the 2012 Olympic Games. **Page S9864**

Tropical Forest Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4654, to reauthorize the Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998 through fiscal year 2007, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Supreme Court Authority Extension: Senate passed S. 2742, to extend certain authority of the Supreme Court Police, modify the venue of prosecutions relating to the Supreme Court building and

grounds, and authorize the acceptance of gifts to the United States Supreme Court, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S9865**

Frist (for Hatch/Leahy) Amendment No. 3729, to provide for authority to accept gifts pertaining to the history of the Supreme Court. **Page S9865**

National Intelligence Reform Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2845, to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9778–S9805**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 189), McCain Amendment No. 3702, to add title VII of S. 2774, 9/11 Commission Report Implementation Act, related to transportation security.

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By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 190), Hutchison Amendment No. 3711, to provide for air cargo safety. **Pages S9784–89, S9795**

Collins (for Inhofe/Jeffords) Amendment No. 3731 (to Amendment No. 3705), to ensure the participation of the Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Threat-Based Homeland Security Grant Program grant-making process for nonlaw enforcement related grants. **Pages S9804–05**

Collins (for Levin) Amendment No. 3732 (to Amendment No. 3705), to give the Secretary of Homeland Security greater flexibility in allocating funds for discretionary grants to local governments.

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Pending:

Wyden Amendment No. 3704, to establish an Independent National Security Classification Board in the executive branch. **Page S9778**

Collins Amendment No. 3705, to provide for homeland security grant coordination and simplification. **Pages S9778–84**

Specter Amendment No. 3706, to provide the National Intelligence Director with the authority to supervise, direct, and control all elements of the intelligence community performing national intelligence missions. **Pages S9789–S9804**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 29, 2004.

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Coastal Barrier Resources System: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1663, to replace certain Coastal Barrier Resources System maps, clearing the measure for the President.

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Bill Referral: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the bill H.R. 3428, to designate a portion of the United States courthouse located at 2100 Jamieson Avenue, in Alexandria, Virginia, as the “Justin W. Williams United States Attorney’s Building”, which is on the calendar, be referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. **Page S9865**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Dionel M. Aviles, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

Routine lists in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Public Health Service.

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Measures Referred: **Page S9810**

Measures Read First Time: **Page S9810**

Executive Communications: **PageS S9810–12**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page S9813**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:
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Additional Statements: **Pages S9808–10**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S9818–63**

Authority for Committees to Meet: **Page S9863**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—190) **Pages S9784, S9795**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:22 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 29, 2004. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S9866.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BANK SECRECY ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the effectiveness of U.S. policies to enforce the Bank Secrecy Act and to prevent money laundering in money services businesses and the gaming industry, after receiving testimony from William J. Fox, Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, and Kevin M. Brown, Commissioner, Small Business/Self-Employed Division, Internal Revenue Service, both of the Department of the Treasury; Diana L. Taylor, New York State Banking Department, New York; Joseph Cachey III, Western Union Financial Services, Inc., Greenwood Village, Colorado; and Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Jr., American Gaming Association, and Ezra C. Levine, Howrey, Simon, Arnold,

and White, LLP, on behalf of the Non-Bank Funds Transmitters Group, both of Washington, D.C.

MEDIA OWNERSHIP

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine media ownership issues, including the importance of diversity of ownership, regulation of ownership, and tracking media ownership trends, after receiving testimony from C. Edwin Baker, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia; Geneva Oversholser, Missouri School of Journalism, and Adam D. Thierer, Cato Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Ben Compaine, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

MEDIA RATINGS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space concluded a hearing to examine the effectiveness of media ratings systems, focusing on rating systems and guidelines for children, after receiving testimony from Dan Glickman and Jack Valenti, both of the Motion Picture Association of America, and Anthony T. Podesta, Podesta Mattoon, on behalf of the TV Parental Guidelines Monitoring Board, all of Washington, D.C.; Patricia E. Vance, Entertainment Software Rating Board, New York, New York; Kimberly M. Thompson, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts; Patti Miller, Children Now, Oakland, California; and David G. Kinney, PSVratings, Inc., Los Angeles, California.

MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how to combat corruption in the multilateral development banks, focusing on efforts to use anti-corruption and anti-fraud tools at the Asian Development Bank, the African Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and to alleviate poverty and promote progress around the world relative to the national security and humanitarian interests of the United States, after receiving testimony from Bruce M. Rich, Environmental Defense, and George B.N. Ayittey, American University Department of Economics, both of Washington, D.C.

INFLUENZA VACCINE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine federal, state, and local efforts to combat influenza in order to keep senior citizens alive, focusing on influenza vaccine recommendations and improved vaccine coverage, and antiviral drugs, after receiving testimony from Stephen M. Ostroff, Deputy Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Pamela M. McInnes, Deputy Director, Division

of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Janet Heinrich, Director, Healthcare and Public

Health Issues, Government Accountability Office; Carol M. Moehrle, North Central District Health Department, Lewiston, Idaho; and Howard Pien, Chiron Corporation, Emeryville, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 5151–5161; and; 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 107–108; H. Con. Res. 500–501, and H. Res. 804–805 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2941, to correct the south boundary of the Colorado River Indian Reservation in Arizona, amended (H. Rept. 108–701);

H.R. 4066, to provide for the conveyance of certain land to the United States and to revise the boundary of Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Oklahoma, amended (H. Rept. 108–702);

H.R. 4579, to modify the boundary of the Harry S Truman National Historic Site in the State of Missouri (H. Rept. 108–703);

H.R. 5009, to extend water contracts between the United States and specific irrigation districts and the City of Helena in Montana (H. Rept. 108–704);

H. Res. 801, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 106, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage (H. Rept. 108–705);

H. Res. 802, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 107, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2005 (H. Rept. 108–706); and

H. Res. 803, providing for consideration of H.R. 3193, to restore second amendment rights in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 108–707).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Biggert to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Thomas K. Spence, Jr., Retired Pastor, Presbyterian Church in Sanford, North Carolina.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Committee Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Thorn-

berry to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Revising and extending the Boys and Girls Clubs of America: S. 2363, to revise and extend the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, by a 2/3 recorded vote of 374 ayes to 19 noes, Roll No. 475;

Pages H7588–90, H7700–01

Title 46 Codification Act of 2004: H.R. 4319, amended, to complete the codification of title 46, United States Code, "Shipping", as positive law;

Pages H7590–H7654

Piracy Deterrence and Education Act of 2004: H.R. 4077, amended, to enhance criminal enforcement of the copyright laws, to educate the public about the application of copyright law to the Internet;

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Expressing continued support for the construction of the Victims of Communism Memorial: H. Res. 752, expressing continued support for the construction of the Victims of Communism Memorial;

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Rancho El Cajon Boundary Reconciliation Act: H.R. 3954, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to resolve boundary discrepancies in San Diego County, California, arising from an erroneous survey conducted by a Government contractor in 1881 that resulted in overlapping boundaries for certain lands;

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Chickasaw National Recreation Area Land Exchange Act of 2004: H.R. 4066, amended, to provide for the conveyance of certain land to the United States and to revise the boundary of Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Oklahoma;

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Angel Island Immigration Station Restoration and Preservation Act: H.R. 4469, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of the Interior for the restoration of the Angel Island Immigration Station in the State of California;

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Truman Farm Home Expansion Act: H.R. 4579, to modify the boundary of the Harry S Truman National Historic Site in the State of Missouri; **Pages H7664–66**

Amending public law with regard to land conveyed to Eastern Washington University: H.R. 4596, amended, to amend PL 97–435 to extend the authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to release certain conditions contained in a patent concerning certain land conveyed by the United States to Eastern Washington University until December 31, 2009; **Page H7666**

Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Act: H.R. 4683, amended, to enhance the preservation and interpretation of the Gullah/Geechee cultural heritage; **Pages H7666–69**

Providing for a land exchange involving land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico: H.R. 4808, amended, to provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base; **Pages H7669–70**

Hibben Center Act: S. 643, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the University of New Mexico, to construct and occupy a portion of the Hibben Center for Archaeological Research at the University of New Mexico; **Page H7670**

Manhattan Project National Historical Park Study Act of 2003: S. 1687, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the preservation and interpretation of the historic sites of the Manhattan Project for potential inclusion in the National Park System—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7670–71**

El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail Act of 2004: S. 2052, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7671–72**

Trail Responsibility and Accountability for the Improvement of Lands (TRAIL) Act: H.R. 3247, amended, to provide consistent enforcement authority to the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Forest Service to respond to violations of regulations regarding the management, use, and protection of public lands under the jurisdiction of these agencies, to clarify the purposes for which collected fines may be used; **Pages H7672–74**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: to provide consistent enforcement authority to the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Forest Service to respond to violations of regulations regarding the management, use, and protection of public lands under the jurisdiction of these agencies. **Page H7674**

Amending the Small Tracts Act: H.R. 4617, amended, to amend the Small Tracts Act to facilitate the exchange of small tracts of land; **Page H7674**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out certain land exchanges involving small parcels of National Forest System land in the Tahoe National Forest in the State of California. **Page H7674**

Renaming the Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area as the McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area: H.R. 4827, to amend the Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area and Black Ridge Canyons Wilderness Act of 2000 to rename the Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area as the McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area; **Pages H7674–75**

Healthy Forests Youth Conservation Corps Act of 2004: H.R. 4838, amended, to establish a Healthy Forest Youth Conservation Corps to provide a means by which young adults can carry out rehabilitation and enhancement projects to prevent fire and suppress fires, rehabilitate public land affected or altered by fires, and provide disaster relief; **Pages H7675–77**

Conveyance of land to the New Hope Cemetery Association in Arkansas: S. 1537, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the New Hope Cemetery Association certain land in the State of Arkansas for use as a cemetery—clearing the measure for the President; **Page H7677**

Craig Recreation Land Purchase Act: S. 1778, to authorize a land conveyance between the United States and the City of Craig, Alaska—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7677–78**

Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests Land Exchange Act of 2004: S. 2180, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange certain lands in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7678–79**

Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins Water Feasibility Act: H.R. 3210, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins in Oregon; **Page H7679**

Authorizing a feasibility study on the Alder Creek water storage and conservation project in El Dorado County, California: H.R. 3597, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study on the Alder Creek water storage and conservation project in El Dorado County, California;

Pages H7679–80

Southern California Groundwater Remediation Act: H.R. 4606, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and in coordination with other Federal, State, and local government agencies, to participate in the funding and implementation of a balanced, long-term groundwater remediation program in California;

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Montana Water Contracts Extension Act of 2004: H.R. 5009, to extend water contracts between the United States and specific irrigation districts and the City of Helena in Montana;

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Extending the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska: H.R. 5016, to extend the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska;

Pages H7681–82

Redesignating the Ridges Basin Reservoir, Colorado, as Lake Nighthorse: S. 2508, to redesignate the Ridges Basin Reservoir, Colorado, as Lake Nighthorse—clearing the measure for the President;

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Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Peleliu during WWII: H.J. Res. 102, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Peleliu and the end of Imperial Japanese control of Palau during World War II and urging the Secretary of the Interior to work to protect the historic sites of the Peleliu Battlefield National Historic Landmark and to establish commemorative programs honoring the Americans who fought there;

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Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Liberation of Guam during WWII: H. Res. 737, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Liberation of Guam during World War II;

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Colorado River Indian Reservation Boundary Correction Act: H.R. 2941, amended, to correct the south boundary of the Colorado River Indian Reservation in Arizona;

Pages H7685–86

Brown Tree Snake Control and Eradication Act of 2003: H.R. 3479, amended, to provide for the control and eradication of the brown tree snake on the island of Guam and the prevention of the intro-

duction of the brown tree snake to other areas of the United States;

Pages H7686–89

Commending the people of Florida and the individuals who have assisted with recovery efforts after Hurricanes Charley, Frances, and Ivan: H. Res. 784, amended, commending the resiliency of the people of Florida and the work of those individuals who have assisted with the recovery efforts after the devastation caused by Hurricanes Charley, Frances, and Ivan;

Pages H7702–05

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: Commending the resiliency of the people of the State of Florida and the work of those individuals who have assisted with the recovery efforts after the devastation caused by Hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan, and Jeanne.

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District of Columbia Retirement Protection Improvement Act of 2004: H.R. 4657, amended, to amend the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to improve the administration of Federal pension benefit payments for District of Columbia teachers, police officers, and fire fighters;

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Martha Pennino Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 5133, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11110 Sunset Hills Road in Reston, Virginia, as the “Martha Pennino Post Office Building”;

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Specialist Eric Ramirez Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 5027, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 411 Midway Avenue in Mascotte, Florida, as the “Specialist Eric Ramirez Post Office”;

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Supporting National Life Insurance Awareness Month: H. Con. Res. 461, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the importance of life insurance, and recognizing and supporting National Life Insurance Awareness Month;

Pages H7711–12

Sergeant Riayan A. Tejada Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 4046, amended, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 555 West 180th Street in New York, New York, as the “Sergeant Riayan A. Tejada Post Office”; and

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 555 West 180th Street in New York, New York, as the “Sergeant Riayan A. Tejada Post Office”.

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Evan Asa Ashcraft Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 5147, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 23055 Sherman Way in West Hills, California, as the “Evan Asa Ashcraft Post Office Building”.

Pages H7713–14

National Defense Authorization Act for FY05—Motion to go to Conference: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4200, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and agreed to a conference. **Page H7689**

Agreed to the Pelosi motion to instruct conferees on the bill by a yea and nay vote of 213 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 473. **Pages H7689–98, H7699–H7700**

Agreed to close portions of the conference when classified national security material is being discussed by a yea and nay vote of 396 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 474. **Page H7700**

Appointed as conferees: From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the House bill and Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hunter, Weldon (PA), Hefley, Saxton, McHugh, Everett, Bartlett (MD), McKeon, Thornberry, Hostettler, Jones (NC), Ryun (KS), Gibbons, Hayes, Wilson (NM), Calvert, Simmons, Skelton, Spratt, Ortiz, Evans, Taylor (MS), Abercrombie, Meehan, Reyes, Snyder, Turner (TX), Smith (WA), Loretta Sanchez (CA), and Hill. **Page H7701**

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X: Representatives Hoekstra, LaHood, and Harman. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of sec. 1076 for the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodlatte, Burns, and Stenholm. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on Education & the Workforce for consideration of secs. 590, 595, 596, 904, and 3135 of the House bill, and secs. 351, 352, 532, 533, 707, 868, 1079, 3143, 3151–3157 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Castle, Sam Johnson (TX), and Bishop (NY). **Page H7701**

From the Committee on Energy & Commerce, for consideration of secs. 596, 601, 3111, 3131, 3133, and 3201 of the House bill, and secs. 321–323, 716, 720, 1084–1089, 1091, 2833, 3116, 3119, 3141, 3142, 3145, 3201, and 3503 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Barton (TX), Upton, and Dingell. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on Government Reform, for consideration of secs. 801, 806, 807, 825, 1061, 1101–1104, 2833, 2842, and 2843 of the House bill, and secs. 801, 805, 832, 851, 852, 869, 870, 1034, 1059B, 1091, 1101, 1103–1107, 1110, 2823,

2824, 2833, and 3121 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Tom Davis (VA), Shays, and Waxman. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on House Administration, for consideration of secs. 572, and 1065 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Ney, Ehlers, and Larson (CT). **Page H7701**

From the Committee on International Relations, for consideration of secs. 811, 1013, 1031, 1212, 1215, Title XIII, secs. 1401–1405, 1411, 1412, 1421, and 1422 of the House bill, and secs. 1014, 1051–1053, 1058, 1059A, 1059B, 1070, Title XII, secs. 3131, and 3132 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hyde, Leach, and Lantos. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 551, 573, 616, 652, 825, 1075, 1078, 1105, 2833, 2842, and 2843 of the House bill, and secs. 620, 842, 1063, 1068, 1074, 1080–1082, 1101, 1106, 1107, 2821, 2823, 2824, 3143, 3146, 3151–3157, 3401–3410 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Sensenbrenner, Smith (TX), and Conyers. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on Resources, for consideration of secs. 601 and 2834 of the House bill, and sec. 1076 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Pombo, Walden (OR), and Inslee. **Page H7701**

From the Committee on Science, for consideration of sec. 596 of the House bill and secs. 1034, 1092, and Title XXXV of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Boehlert, Smith (MI), and Gordon. **Page H7702**

From the Committee on Small Business, for consideration of secs. 807, and 3601 of the House bill, and secs. 805, 822, 823, 912, and 1083 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Manzullo, Kelly, and Velazquez. **Page H7702**

From the Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure, for consideration of secs. 555, 558, 596, 601, 905, 1051, 1063, 1072, and 3502 of the House bill, and secs. 321, 323, 325, 717, 1066, 1076, 1091, 2828, 2833–2836, and title XXXV of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Young (AL), Duncan, and Capuano. **Page H7702**

From the Committee on Veterans Affairs, for consideration of secs. 2810 and 2831 of the House bill, and secs. 642, 2821, and 2823 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Smith (NJ) Brown (SC), and Michaud. **Page H7702**

From the Committee on Ways & Means, for consideration of sec. 585 of the House bill, and sec. 653 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Shaw, Camp, and Rangel.

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Authorization to print a commemorative document in memory of the late President Ronald Reagan: By unanimous consent the House agreed to S. Con. Res. 135, authorizing the printing of a commemorative document in memory of the late President of the United States, Ronald Wilson Reagan.

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Agreed to the Doolittle amendment that strikes language in section 1 and inserts new language in its place.

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Amending the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995: The House agreed by unanimous consent to pass H.R. 5122, to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to permit members of the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance to serve for 2 terms.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:47 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Meehan moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res 769, providing for consideration of H.R. 2038, to reauthorize the assault weapons ban (Discharge Petition No. 12).

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7586 and H7714.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today. There were no quorum calls.

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Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:21 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SCHOOLS SAFETY ACQUIRING FACULTY EXCELLENCE ACT OF 2004

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing on H.R. 2649, Schools Safety Acquiring Faculty Excellence Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Donna Uzzell, Director, Criminal Justice Information Services, Department of Law Enforcement, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY PRIVACY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Protecting the Privacy of Consumers’ Social Security Numbers.” Testimony was

heard from Thomas B. Leary, Commissioner, FTC; Barbara Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security, GAO; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT—USDA RACIAL DISCRIMINATION CASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on the Status of the Implementation of the Pickford v. Glickman Settlement. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

D.C. PERSONAL PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing one hour of debate on H.R. 3193, District of Columbia Personal Protection Act, in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Souder and Norton.

MARRIAGE AMENDMENT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by a vote of 6 to 2, a closed rule providing two hours and 30 minutes of debate on H.J. Res. 106, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage, in the House equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Section 2 of the resolution provides that during consideration of the bill, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hostettler and Nadler.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2005

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for one hour of debate on H.J. Res. 107, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2005, and for other purposes, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority members of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TERRORISM PREVENTION AND RESPONSE ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways, Transit, and Pipelines approved for full Committee action H.R. 5082, Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention and Response Act of 2004.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine recommendations of the 9/11 Commission, focusing on efforts to identify and combat terrorist financing, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the controversy over embryonic stem cell research, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 2410, to promote wildland firefighter safety; H.R. 1651, to provide for the exchange of land within the Sierra National Forest, California; S. 2378, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a heliport; H.R. 2400, to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure of Guam; H.R. 3874, to convey for public purposes certain Federal lands in Riverside County, California, that have been identified for disposal; H.R. 4170, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to recruit volunteers to assist with, or facilitate, the activities of various agencies and offices of the Department of the Interior; and S. Res. 387, commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Marcie B. Ries, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, Catherine Todd Bailey, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, and Douglas Menarchik, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 3 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by an oversight hearing on lobbying practices involving Indian tribes, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research, hearing to review the Farm Credit System, 1:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, to mark up H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act, 1 p.m. 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Improving Women's Health: Understanding Depression After Pregnancy," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "An Examination of Wireless Directory Assistance Policies and Programs," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider the following bills; H.R. 5011, Military Personnel Financial Services Protection Act; H.R. 4634, Terrorism Insurance Backstop Extension Act of 2004; and H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act; and H.R. 3281, Whistler Protection Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Afghanistan: United States Strategies on the Eve of National Elections; followed by markup of S. 2292, Global Anti-Semitism Review Act of 2004, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act; H.R. 4306, to amend section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve the process for verifying an individual's eligibility for employment; S. 1994, Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2003; H.R. 4547, Defending America's Most Vulnerable: Safe Access to Drug Treatment and Child Protection Act of 2004; H. Res. 568, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Judicial determinations regarding the meaning of the laws of the United States should not be based on judgments, laws or pronouncements of foreign institutions unless such foreign judgments, laws, or pronouncements inform an understanding of the original meaning of the laws of the United States; H.R. 3143, International Consumer Protection Act of 2003; H.R. 4264, Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act of 2004; H.R. 775m Security and Fairness Enhancement for America Act of 2003; H.R. 4453, Access to Rural Physicians Improvements Act of 2004; and a private relief measure, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 855, Arizona Water Rights Settlement Act; H.R. 5134, To require the prompt review by the Secretary of the Interior of the long-standing petitions for Federal recognition of certain Indian tribes; and H.R. 5135, To provide for a nonvoting delegate to the House of Representatives to represent the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 977, Aerial Firefighter Relief Act of 2003; H.R. 1550, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to make grants to improve the commercial value of forest biomass for electric energy, useful heat, transportation fuels, petroleum-based product substitutes, and other commercial purposes; H.R. 1723, Caribbean National Forest Act of

2003; and H.R. 4461, Walnut Canyon Study Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards, to mark up H.R. 4546, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: GSA Fiscal Year 2005 Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Resolutions; H.R. 5082, Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention and Response Act of 2004; H.R. 5105, To authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to carry out construction and related activities in support of the collaborative Very Energetic Radiation Imaging Telescope Array System (VERITAS) project on Kitt Peak near Tucson, Arizona; H.R. 5121, to further protect the United States aviation system from terrorist attacks; the National Health Museum Authoriza-

tion Act; the Research and Special Programs Reorganization Act of 2004; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, to mark up H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness and Response, hearing entitled "The National Incident Management System: Enhancing Response to Terrorist Attacks," 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 4200, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 29

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 2845, National Intelligence Reform Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 29

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of Suspensions:

(1) H.R. 5149—To reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through March 31, 2005;

(2) H.R. 4768—Veterans Medical Facilities Management Act of 2004;

(3) H.R. 4231—Department of Veterans Affairs Nurse Recruitment and Retention Act of 2004;

(4) H. Res. 759—Commending the Festival of Children Foundation for its outstanding efforts on behalf of children and expressing the support of the House of Rep-

resentatives for the designation of a “Child Awareness Month”;

(5) H. Res. 778—Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the birth of William “Count” Basie;

(6) H. Res. 792—Honoring the United Negro College Fund on the occasion of the Fund’s 60th anniversary;

(7) H. Con. Res. —Honoring the life and work of Duke Ellington, recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, congratulating Blue Note records on its 65th anniversary and Down Beat Magazine on its 70th anniversary, and supporting the annual Duke Ellington Jazz Festival;

(8) H.R. 4731—To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program;

(9) H.R. 5105—To authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to carry out construction and related activities in support of the collaborative VERITAS project on Kitt Peak near Tucson, Arizona;

(10) H.R. 3124—F.H. Newell Building Designation Act; and

(11) H.R. 1402—Garza-Vela United States Courthouse Designation Act.

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